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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/701,844; Filed: November 4, 2003

Chlamydia Protein, Gene Sequence and Uses Thereof

Inventors: JACKSON et al.

Our Ref: 2479.0040002/EJH/C-K

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Applicants' Summary of the Substance of an Interview with Exhibits A to D; and
- 2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Applicants' Summary of the Substance of an Interview

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Sir:

Applicants note that an Interview Summary was mailed December 12, 2007 for the captioned application. Hence, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.2 and §1.133, and MPEP §713.04, Applicants' undersigned representative provides the following statement of the substance of the interview held with the Examiner regarding the captioned application.

The Examiner summarized the interview held August 2, 2007 in the Interview Summary attached to the Notice of Allowance and the Examiner's amendments.

Applicants thank Examiner Baskar for the telephone interviews conducted on August 2 and 3, 2007. During the interview on August 2, 2007, the undersigned attorney and Examiner Baskar discussed the captioned application and pending claims. In particular, the Examiner suggested claim amendments and forwarded them to Applicants on August 2, 2007. The undersigned agreed to amend the claims, at the same time suggesting several minor modifications due to clerical errors in the Examiner's suggested

claim amendments. A marked and clean copy of the Examiner's suggested amendment on August 2, 2008 is attached herewith as Exhibit A. A copy of the email with two attachments forwarded to the Examiner on August 2, 2007 is attached herewith as Exhibit B. One of the two attachments, a marked and clean copy of the claim amendments forwarded to the Examiner along with the email after revision by Applicants of clerical errors is attached herewith as Exhibit C. The other attachment, a redline copy comparing the Examiner's suggested amendments (Exhibit A) with Applicants' revised amendments (Exhibit C) in response to the Examiner's suggested amendments is attached herewith as Exhibit D. In the redline copy, added parts by Applicants are double underlined and deleted parts by Applicants are crossed out.

On August 3, 2007, Examiner Baskar requested an additional telephone interview to discuss pending claim 58. In particular, the Examiner suggested to delete the language "or a fragment thereof" in claim 58. In response to the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants agreed to delete the language "or a fragment thereof" in claim 58.

Applicants respectfully note that the Examiner's amendments mailed to Applicants on December 12, 2007 are not consistent with the claim amendments agreed during the telephone interviews on August 2 and 3, 2007. Applicants respectfully request clarification by the Examiner. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite resolution of this issue, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Applicants respectfully request that this statement be entered into the record. Further, it is not believed that extensions of time are required. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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